

## Around the World...

Rev. Dr. Korn's travels on his tour around the world, written specially and exclusively for the Herald.

Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 1, 1902.

I arrived in Vancouver yesterday from Seattle at 17:30 o'clock, or 5:30 p. m. according to the mode of measuring time recognized in the United States. In this possession of Great Britain the bothersome a. m. and p. m. are out of fashion and the twenty-four hour system has possession of the field. Hence, a printer would be guilty of tantology to permit a wedding invitation to appear with the words "twenty o'clock in the evening" for twenty o'clock can come at no other time than in the evening. I have no criticism to offer on the system, and would be pleased if it were adopted in the states.

Here I received the first mail since my departure more than two weeks ago, and I assure you it did me a world of good. A letter from Capt. F. M. Dorrington, register of the U. S. land office, read as if in had come from any bishop of any church you might name. I shall never forget it. Here are a few extracts: "That God's protecting hand may be with you constantly will be the prayer of all those who pray to God and know you." "When you pass from the shore to the boat, don't look back, but look forward in the thought that you are on your journey back home, but coming in at the other gate; and each hour out, while taking you from home is bringing you that much near home. God will be with you everywhere and you will find much comfort in your communion with Him when it will seem to you that you are alone. You will never be alone with the faith that is in you." "We will await your coming with much anxiety and your letters will be much sought after. That you may have a safe and interesting journey will be the daily prayer."

That first mail contained, among other letters, one from the "Queen of the Manse," but the one saccharine thread running through it exempts it or any part thereof from publication.

As this is to be my last letter prior to the long ocean voyage, a few words regarding the essentials in the way of equipment may be advisable. First of all a passport should be secured. To secure this document a letter should be addressed to the Secretary of State, Washington, D. C., requesting blanks for a passport. On receiving the request the state department will forward the necessary papers to be filled out by the applicant before a notary public. The application must also bear the signature of some other responsible citizen who vouches for the good faith of the applicant, as the government is particular not to issue a passport to anyone going abroad with evil intent if the fact is known. The bearer of a passport going abroad really has the army and navy ready to protect him; the document is signed by Hon. John Hay, secretary of state, with the great seal of the United States affixed, and requests the nations of earth "to give him all lawful aid and protection." The passport bears a very complete description of its bearer so that it would be of no value to anyone who

might steal it from the lawful owner. Besides the bearer's signature as a means of identification, it states his age, height, and describes his forehead, eyes, nose, mouth, chin, hair, face and complexion. One dollar must be forwarded with the application to the secretary of state, the amount of his fee for issuing and recording the passport. No charge is made for the application blanks. If a person expects to travel in Turkey or Palestine a possession of Turkey, this passport must bear the visa of a Turkish Consul, which visa can be secured through the Department of State at Washington, an additional charge of \$1.25 being required by the Turkish Consul for his visa. Turkey, Russia, Roumania and Persia form a quartet, each of whom requires not only that a person be in possession of a passport but also requires that it bear the visa of one of their own consular officers at the seat of the government issuing the passport.

Secondly, a person must have a letter of credit good around the world. I bought my letter of credit at the Colorado National Bank of Denver. The letter is issued by the Kountze Bros., bankers, of New York on The Union Bank of London and is good throughout the islands as well as almost everywhere on every continent. The letter of credit, a product of recent years, is the most praiseworthy achievement of the banking world. It consists of two parts, one being the letter of credit, a finely engraved document of four pages nine by eleven inches, the first page being a statement signed by Kountze Bros. setting forth the fact that—has a credit of so many pounds sterling and that his drafts on the Union Bank of London will be honored to that amount. The second and third pages contain spaces for dates, amounts and names of banks around the world to whom I may apply for cash on the letter of credit. As all amounts paid to me are entered, every bank to whom I present my letter can see in a moment the amount I have remaining to my credit so that no bank need be swindled by paying after all the money is drawn for which the letter was issued. The second part of the outfit known as a letter of credit consists of a signature book, the first page being engraved, bearing my signature and under it the signature of the New York bankers stating to the world that my signature is genuine and that it is the one referred to in Letter of Credit No. 9539. So, whenever I need any money, I go to the bank, write a check for the amount I desire, present it to the cashier, who examines my letter of credit and observes that the letter is good for the amount and more, asks for my book of identification or signature book, which I immediately present, and seeing that the signatures agree, the cashier pays me the amount, and enters on the back of the letter of credit. The draft or check I wrote is kept by the cashier, and forwarded to London, which, when received in London, is charged to my account after being compared with my signature taken

by the The Colorado National Bank at Denver and forwarded to London. Hence, it is seen that no other person could draw the money even if in possession of the letter of credit as no money is paid by any bank without first seeing the signature book, and my name would have to be forged if some one should either find or steal the both the signature book and the letter of credit. In such a case a forgery would have to deceive the London bank also as each signature must pass the experts of the local bank as well as the British bank before my account in London is charged. Greater precaution for absolute safety appears nowhere else in the realm of finance. The charge for such service is five dollars and upward, depending upon the amount of credit obtained in London, but the value of such an accommodation cannot be estimated in dollars and cents as a person can get any amount desired and in the currency of the country in which he is traveling. Another advantage offered is that the owner of a letter of credit can have his mail sent in care of any bank, and it will be delivered to him on his arrival. For instance, I sent notice to Alliance that mail should be forwarded to me in care of The Bank of Montreal, Vancouver, B. C. The mail was here waiting my arrival. I knew of that bank, because the name appeared in the book given me when I secured my letter of credit, said book also containing a list of banks around the world so that I can chose the bank as well as the city which I desire to have act as postmaster. If mail fails to arrive in time it will be forwarded on its arrival to any bank on the route that I designate.

The passport and letter of credit are the most important items to be considered by anyone contemplating travel. The problem of baggage is easily disposed of. Take as little as possible. Never take a trunk if it can be avoided. My equipment is stored in two suit cases. Mr. Dana, a noted traveler, said that he took nothing that was too large to be carried in his overcoat pocket. He was a radical opponent of luggage carrying.

But the hour for departing approaches. The smoke rolls from the huge twin smokestacks while the rooco horse power engines pant like swift hoards belonging to be loosened for the chase. The good ship is a majestic, throbbing, palatial mansion afloat. Built by the Naval Construction Co. at Barrow-in-Furness, England, she lacks in no point, being pronounced by her builders as second to no craft that ever plowed the deep. Named the "Empress of Japan," she measures 485 feet in length, and on her trial trip developed a speed of 19 knots per hour, having the honor of making the fastest transpacific trip ever made.

But yonder's sun hastening towards his evening couch far to the westward, bids us take a fond look at the continent of our nativity and step from terra firma to the trembling monster bound for the orient. Permit the poet to voice our farewell:

"You sun that sets upon the sea  
We follow in his flight;  
Farewell awhile to him and thee,  
My native land,—good night."

Through the eye of faith I see beyond the billows and land is in sight, but week must intervene between this embarkation and the sighting of land again, so I call upon the poet to lead us in our prayer:

"Lord, whom winds and seas obey,  
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T. A. BERN, Sheriff of said county.  
W. G. Simonson, Atty for Plaintiff. 11-21-02

### Notice to Defendant.

A. E. Hartman will take notice that on the 10th day of October, 1902, an action was commenced by Wm. W. Norton, plaintiff, against A. E. Hartman, (first name not known) defendant, to recover of defendant the sum of \$18.40 before L. A. Berry, Justice of the peace in and for Alliance Second ward precinct, Box Butte county, Nebraska, and that an order of attachment was issued in said action, and property consisting of money in the hands of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railway Co. has been attached in said action. Said cause was continued to December 15th, 1902, at the hour of 9 o'clock a. m.  
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